# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# AGRICULTURE
# LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3552
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COLD STORAGE
BIR SING MAHATO;DUKHA BHAGAT

**Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government have formulated any scheme for setting up of cold storages in the tribal areas;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether there is no cold storage in any tribal dominated area; and

(e) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) to (d): The Department of Agriculture & Cooperation is implementing a scheme, namely,`Capital Investment Subsidy Scheme for Construction/Expansion/Modernisation of Cold Storagesand Storages for Horticulture Produce` through the National Horticulture Board (NHB), anautonomous body of this Department. Under the scheme, financial assistance in the form of back- ended capital investment subsidy is provided @ 25% of the project cost not exceeding Rs.50.00 lakh per project and @ 33.33% of the project cost upto a ceiling of Rs.60.00 lakh per project for North Eastern States.The NHB has assisted establishment of 680 cold storages in the country, including tribal dominated areas, during 1999-2000 to 2002-2003.

(e): Question does not arise.